# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
# LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:336
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Production of Fruits
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has fixed any target for the production of fruits and vegetables in various States of the country including Maharashtra during the current Five Year Plan period and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the fruit and vegetable production in various States of the country including Maharashtra during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) the details of the assistance likely to be provided by the Government to various States for promotion of horticulture crops during the current Five Year Plan period, State-wise; and

(d) the various steps taken by the Government to achieve the said targets under the current Five Year Plan period?

## Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
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(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 336 DUE FOR REPLY ON 9TH AUGUST, 2016.

(a): For the XII plan period the overall target for enhancement of production of horticultural crops was fixed at 310 million metric ton to be achieved by 2016-17. To achieve this target, states in turn prepare detailed Annual Action Plan (AAP) under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), fixing targets for various activities for promotion of horticulture.

(b): The details of fruits and vegetables production in various states of the country, including Maharashtra, during the last three years and the current year, state wise are at Annexure-I and II respectively.

(c): Details of assistance provided / likely to be provided by Government of India to various states for promotion of horticulture crops during 2012-17 are at Annexure III and IV.

(d): Under MIDH, assistance is provided to various interventions for enhancement/promotion of production of fruits and vegetables through the following interventions:
â€¢ Area expansion (establishment of new orchards/gardens)
â€¢ Rejuvenation of old and senile orchards
â€¢ Setting up and strengthening of Tissue Culture (TC) units
â€¢ Setting up and modernization of nurseries
â€¢ Protected Cultivation (Poly House/Green House for production of high value vegetables)
â€¢ Import of High Yielding Variety Seeds
â€¢ Integrated Nutrient Management (INM),
â€¢ Adoption of Integrated Pest Management (IPM)
â€¢ Capacity buildings of farmers and technicians for adopting improved technologies
â€¢ Post Harvest Management which includes primary processing units, minimal processing units, ripening chamber, reefer vehicle, thereby minimizing post harvest losses and value addition of produce.